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## Cleaning up in BWG

Picking up litter in the Summerlyn Village valleyslands, on April 12, during BWG Community Clean-Up Day.

Photos and story by Miriam King, Bradford Times

April is  
Earth  
Month.  
What better time  
to clean up?

But for a while, it seemed that volunteers participating in the Bradford West Gwillimbury Community Clean-up Day on April 12 might have to wear winter gloves instead of rubber gloves.

Warmer weather arrived just in time

for Saturday's clean-up, melting the snow and revealing plenty of trash along roadsides and in parks.

Volunteers met at the Bradford & District Memorial Community Centre, and filled four buses. They headed

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## More funds for Lake Simcoe

The Federal government has announced \$8.6 million in grant funding under the new Lake Simcoe-South Eastern Georgian Bay Clean-Up Fund - an extension and expansion of the original Lake Simcoe Clean-Up fund, which came to an end in 2012.

Funding for 26 projects was announced at Carron Farms in the Holland Marsh, April 15 - in part because the Holland Marsh Growers Association is one of the grant recipients.

MP for York Simcoe Peter Van Loan noted that when his government came to power there was little environmental protection and no federal funding available for Lake Simcoe, despite the concerns of residents.

Money was directed to the Great Lakes through two treaty agreements with the U.S., but efforts to extend the funding to Lake Simcoe, failed.

It was Environment Minister John Baird and then-Finance Minister Jim Flaherty who set aside the initial Clean-Up Fund, to be "largely focused on remediation" of Lake Simcoe - supporting real, hands-on projects delivering real results.

At the time, Van Loan noted, the many environmental groups and agencies working in the watershed were fragmented, many focused on advocacy rather than action.

Now, he said, the organizations are working together with less duplication, on actual projects - a

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## Impaired Driver nabbed

On April 12, South Simcoe Police were alerted about a silver Acura SUV that had just exited Hwy. 404 at County Rd. 89 in Innisfil, and appeared to be driven by an impaired driver. South Simcoe Police instituted a search for the vehicle, which was located on the 7th Line, approaching 200 Sideroad. Police stopped the SUV and investigated the driver, a 45 year old Innisfil male who was exhibiting signs of impairment by alcohol. A roadside test registered a FAIL, and the man was arrested for impaired, his vehicle towed from the scene.

Further testing at the North Division station provided a blood alcohol concentration above the legal limit. The male was charged with Impaired Driving and Over 0.08, his licence was suspended for 90 days and his vehicle impounded for 7 days. He was released on a promise to appear for Court on April 29.

## Officers receive commendations

Bradford resident John Jansen, wanted for First Degree murder in connection with a death in York Region on February 12, was arrested without incident in Bradford on February 19.

In the April 14 meeting of the Bradford West Gwillimbury-Innisfil Police Services Board, York Region Deputy Police Chief Tom Carrique and South Simcoe Police Chief Rick Beazley presented commendations to two South Simcoe officers, for their roles in the capture.

Constable Steve Black, Canine Officer Constable Brett



persuade him to surrender without incident.

"We're always interested in safety, whether it's the safety of the public or the suspect," said

Chief Beazley presenting the letters of commendation. He noted it was the first time that Police had issued a Commendation to a Police Services Dog.

York Regional Police Deputy Chief Carrique added "our tribute and our thanks...for the ongoing partnership with South Simcoe Police. We can rely on you in our time of need," praising both the negotiations and the investigative skills of the South Simcoe officers.

Police Services Dog "Chase" were commended for their actions. Chief Beazley noted that during the extensive police search for the suspect on February 19, PC Jacques observed a "female associate" of the man, and was able to gain her trust. That led police to the location where Jansen was hiding, and officers were able to

From right, South Simcoe Police Chief Rick Beazley, PC Steve Black, PC Brett Jacques and Police Dog 'Chase', and York Regional Police Deputy Chief Tom Carrique, at the Bradford West Gwillimbury-Innisfil Police Services Board meeting, on April 14.

## Fail to Remain collision

South Simcoe Police received calls from two witnesses on April 13, around 11 p.m., reporting a single vehicle collision at Bradford St. East and Disette St. in Holland. A vehicle spun around and hit a traffic sign on the median. A group of youths were seen walking away from the car.

Officers attended and spoke to youths at a nearby 7-11 store, who denied involvement and then implicated each other. Once the officers discovered the truth, 3 of the car's occupants were given tickets: a female youth, determined to be the driver, was charged with Careless Driving; a second youth was charged with Occupant Fail to Report an Accident; and the 3rd youth, the owner of the vehicle, was charged with Permit Operation Without Insurance, and Fail to Report Accident. All three will be in court in May. No one was injured in the collision. South Simcoe Police thank the many citizens who assisted in the investigation, by calling 911. *Safe roads... Your Call.*

## Dangerous Driving

Around 6:20 a.m. on April 13, concerned citizens called police to report an erratic driver on County Rd. 27 just north of Cookstown. The vehicle was travelling well under the speed limit, weaving, and driving south in the northbound lanes, and went through a red light. OPP and South Simcoe Police officers stopped the vehicle at a business south of Cookstown. The driver's erratic behaviour led officers to take the 36 year old Toronto man to a local hospital for a mental health assessment. During the investigation, a prohibited stun gun was found next to the driver's seat. The man has been charged with Dangerous Operation of a Motor Vehicle, Possession of a Prohibited Weapon, and Prohibited weapon in Motor vehicle.

## Stunt Driving in Churchill

On April 13, around 10 p.m., a South Simcoe police constable monitoring traffic on County Rd. 4 north of Churchill activated his radar when he spotted a speeding car. The vehicle was travelling at 100 kmph in the 80 kmph zone - but accelerated rapidly, travelling at 142 kmph as it passed the officer's location. The vehicle was stopped, and the driver, a 20 year old Churchill man was charged with Stunt Driving and Speeding, and released with a court date in May.

## Lock it or lose it!

Around 11:55 p.m. on April 12, Police received a call from a Bradford residence, reporting that 2 persons had entered the family vehicle, parked in the driveway. Nothing was taken. Police attended, and discovered that a second vehicle had also been entered, but were unable to locate the suspects. Residents are reminded to lock vehicle doors, and keep valuables in the trunk, in the house, and out of sight.

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# More Federal Clean-up Funds



From right, MP for York-Simcoe Peter Van Loan; Richard Simpson, chair of the Public Advisory Committee which picks projects for funding, and Jason Verkaik.

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situation that has "resulted in a positive energy around the lake we haven't seen before."

"The latest round of funding "is something that continues that vision, that really did come from local groups that cared about the health of the lake," Van Loan said.

Local recipients include the Ladies of the Lake; Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority - receiving several grants including \$159,000 for its Scanlon Creek Restoration Project; and Ducks Unlimited Canada, which will get \$449,000 for a collaborative project to restore and enhance wetlands.

The Holland Marsh Growers Association will also receive funding. Carron Farms president Jason Verkaik said that the monies would be used to pursue "innovative wastewater technologies that will both reduce the water used, and the phosphorus entering Lake Simcoe" from the Holland Marsh, by reducing the "point source" discharge of phosphorus. Verkaik noted that growers have already taken steps to curtail their use of fertilizers, and control runoff. "What's exciting is the farmers and the growers here want to reduce that even more," he said, developing an approach that could be used throughout Ontario and Canada.

Ducks Unlimited Canada's Mike Williams said that the new funding would allow a "big investment in wetlands in Ontario," adding to the almost 1 million acres of wetland habitat that have been preserved by DUC, through partnerships with Ministries, Conservation Authorities and local landowners.

Wetlands, Williams said, conserve water, control flooding, reduce phosphorus, and "provide many important benefits to society. (They are) one of the most valuable ecosystems that we have."

Also attending the announcement was Barrie MP Patrick Brown, who praised the efforts of the Lake Simcoe Clean Up Fund to date. The results - cleaner water, less weed growth, the return of spawning populations of native fish species - are appreciated by the people of Barrie, he said. "We notice the real strides we've made in cleaning up Lake Simcoe. It's at the heart of Simcoe County."

"Lake Simcoe is a vital source of drinking water and an important part of everyday life for residents. Our government is proud to be contributing to projects that will help ensure the long-term sustainability of Canada's Lakes and waterways," said Dr. Colin Carrie, Parliamentary Secretary to the current Minister of the Environment, Leona Aglukkaq.

# Community Clean-up Day in BWG

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out to the valleyslands in Summerlyn Village and Grand Central, where tall weeds snagged every fast food container, plastic bag and piece of styrofoam blowing in the wind.

The volunteers were accompanied by Town staff, who handed out safety vests, gloves and garbage bags, and ensured that the participants stayed away from fast-flowing streams.

It was, said co-ordinator Mike O'Hare, Manager of Parks and Property, one of the best turn-outs in years.

Last year, the volunteers picked up an estimated 7 tonnes of trash. This year, they bagged up enough garbage in Bradford parks and several vacant lots adjacent to retail stores, to fill a small dump truck ten times.

At the end of the 3 hours, the volunteers got back on the buses and returned to the Community Centre, where they were rewarded for their efforts with a free pizza lunch.



This year's Bradford West Gwillimbury Clean-Up Day on April 12 saw plenty of kids come out to lend a hand - including a complete soccer team, above. At right, kids in safety vests and gloves fill a garbage bag at the Summerlyn Village valleyslands.



## Spring Bi-weekly Yard Waste Collections



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## Minister tours the Library that Infrastructure dollars built



Story and photos by Miriam King, Bradford Times

From right, Bradford West Gwillimbury Mayor Doug White presents a copy of Governor Simcoe Slept Here: The Legacy of West Gwillimbury to Ontario Minister of Culture Michael Chan - who also received an honorary BWG Library card, from Library Board Chair Milt Calder and CEO Liz Fenwick when he toured the library, April 11. Below, CEO Fenwick points out an architectural detail to Minister Chan.

After announcing \$300,000 in Celebrate Ontario grant funding for the 2014 International Piping Match, taking place in Essa Twp. this September, Culture and Tourism Minister Michael Chan paid a visit to Bradford, on April 11.

He arrived for a tour of the Bradford West Gwillimbury Public Library and Cultural Centre, which was built with infrastructure funding from both the federal and provincial levels of government.

The Minister was welcomed by Library CEO Liz Fenwick, members of the local Library Board and Town Council. "I wanted to thank you, and thank your government," said Bradford West Gwillimbury Mayor Doug White, "because when three levels of government get together, great things happen."

Minister Chan was visibly impressed by the two-story, LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) certified glass, cement and stone building. "What I like is, it's a library but besides that, a cultural centre for the community," Chan said, praising the co-operation between levels of

government. "We need the partnerships, the local partners, because you are the people who understand - who live here. The grassroots."

With a provincial budget coming out

May 1, Minister Chan said that he was asking for money for Libraries, because "the library is where education begins." But, he quipped, "Every year, the financial asks - I put library there every year. That's the good news. The bad news is they never give me any money."

The Minister toured the library, from the Children's area, to the computer rooms, Local History Room, Zima performance space, and self-checkout. "The building is fantastic," he told his guides. He was also impressed with the statistics: in a Town of about 30,000 people, there are 22,000 Library Card holders.

"People use libraries more than ever," said Mayor White, presenting the Minister with a copy of the book, Governor Simcoe Slept Here: The Legacy of West Gwillimbury, and an honorary Library card.



Submitted photo

The MIMPA team gives themselves a hand, after bringing home the hardware from the Access Broadway Triple Threat competition held in Syracuse, New York at the end of March.

## letters to the editor

### MIMPA Accesses Broadway!

To the editor: On March 28, 2014, thirty-one students from Bradford's Music in Motion Performing Arts Studio (MIMPA) began a weekend of competition with Access Broadway in Syracuse, New York.

Under the instruction of MIMPA's Triple Threat teachers, Lydia Martin (ABCT) and Diana Geertsema (RAD), young people aged 6 to 18 from Newmarket, Bradford and Barrie had been preparing solos, duets, trios and ensembles, since September. And they were an impressive group, with stellar performances, as they faced competitors from many locations in New York, and enthusiastic crowds - including 75 of their own parents and grandparents.

The awards were numerous - and they brought home a boatload! Most exciting was winning the title of Best Debut Performing Arts School, at this Regional event.

Even more important than winning, though, was the demonstration of good characteristics by all of the students - hard work, support for one another, kindness, good sportsmanship. They stood out. Other studio directors and the head of the competition, Ron DeVito, a distinguished Broadway actor, commented many times, on how wonderful these kids are. We were very proud of them. They encapsulated the MIMPA slogan, "You Can Do It!" and the MIMPA spirit of building character and confidence.

What's next? The group heads to Orlando, Florida, at the end of June for the National Competition.

For more information about Music in Motion's Triple Threat and Theatre programs, summer camps and private lessons, see [www.mimpa.ca](http://www.mimpa.ca) or call 905-778-0440, email [musicinmotion@sympatico.ca](mailto:musicinmotion@sympatico.ca)

*Jeanette Martin, Creative Director*

### A call for Home-owners

Calling Heritage Homeowners - Last

September, the BWG Local History Association held a very successful Heritage Home Tour in our area. Six homeowners graciously opened their homes, for local residents to view some of the earlier houses built in our area, and learn more about their historical significance.

Ticket holders were asked to be respectful - and volunteers were on hand to ensure that they removed their shoes at the door. A separate stop was designated as a "Refreshment Stop," so there was no need for participating homeowners to provide refreshments.

We received very positive feedback from both the homeowners and visitors, and hope to hold a second Heritage Home Tour on June 22, 2014. We are now asking owners of heritage and historic homes if they would consider opening their homes to the public.

Many of these homes have a unique connection to our history, and the Tour has proven to be a great way to look back at the early settlers who "built" Bradford and West Gwillimbury in the 1800s.

The Tour is a fundraiser for the Auld Kirk, a church on the 6th Line that has been designated a Heritage Site by the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury. The monies raised will go towards the restoration of the Auld Kirk, which was founded by settlers returning from Lord Selkirk's Red River Settlement.

If you would like to be part of the 2014 tour, please call Mikki Nanowski at Bradford Print Shoppe, at 905-775-4011 or Edgar Lloyd, 905-775-6618.

*Leila Lloyd, BWG Local History Association*

### Correction

The Bradford Times Carriers of the Month for March were Alec and Annalisa Fraser. In the original announcement, we printed Alec's name as "Alex." The Times apologizes for the error - and congratulates Alec on doing a great job, delivering The Times.



# Volunteer Week: Going Above and Beyond

"Our volunteers go Above and Beyond." That was the theme of the Volunteer Appreciation Banquet at Bradford Valley long term care centre, April 10. That was the message on the cake, honouring volunteers, echoed in the hand-made cookies in the shape of clouds and hot air balloons, and the hot air balloon pins handed out by Volunteer Co-ordinator, Lisa Lloyd.

Bradford Valley is home to 246 residents, from retirees to those requiring a higher level of nursing care.

In 2013, Bradford Valley's 210 volunteers provided over 8,000 hours of assistance, working in the Tuck Shop, helping with Bings, delivering mail, serving as Friendly Visitors, providing palliative care, Spiritual care, dietary assistance, even bringing along trained St. John Ambulance Pet Therapy dogs to provide comfort.

"Above and beyond" this truly describes our volunteers here at Bradford Valley.

## CHATS recognizes Rural Program volunteers

It's been five years since CHATS - Community & Home Assistance To Seniors - began its Rural outreach, moving beyond the urban areas of Newmarket and Aurora to provide services to smaller communities, including Schomberg, Holland Landing and Bradford West Gwillimbury.

On April 9, during Volunteer Appreciation Week, CHATS celebrated 5 years of success, growth and service with a Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon, held at Mandarin in Newmarket. Certificates were presented to 1-year volunteers, and 5-year Service Pins given out - the very first for the Rural Program - to Gail Smart, Brian Turner, Robert Brown, Paul Pritchard, Gloria Lindsay, Joan Ruth, Rose Ringle, Ernst Wallner and Barbara Prince.

As Hilary Richardson, Manager of Community Programs pointed out, "The programs we offer... couldn't happen without volunteers." CHATS currently has 470 active volunteers, who donate the equivalent of 42,000 service hours in the year for programs that include Meals on Wheels, Transportation, Lunch Out and adult Day Programs.

said Lloyd - especially this year, when snowstorms and "snow days" often made roads treacherous. The volunteers still came in.

"We really appreciate it," Lloyd said, thanking all who have shared their talents and skills, benefiting not only the residents, but their families and friends as well. "There's no doubt. We can't run our home without you. You generously give your gift of time, to make somebody's life brighter."

In addition to the pins and Certificates of Appreciation

handed out to each volunteer, Bradford Valley recognized two "Volunteers of the Year" - Margaret Reid, who has worked in the Tuck Shop since 2003 and "retired" just this year; and Ken Wallace, Spiritual Care volunteer.

The celebration took place during National Volunteer Appreciation Week.

Photo: From right, Lisa Lloyd presents award to Volunteers of the Year.

"We want to thank our volunteers for all that they do," said CEO Christina Bisanz. Without them, she said, "we wouldn't be able to help and support seniors... You truly are the heart and soul of CHATS."

With seniors becoming the fastest growing demographic in York Region and Simcoe County, "Our work is only going to grow more and more important," she said. "We are growing by leaps and bounds, so our need for volunteers is growing."

"There are no other organizations that have this much volunteer involvement": volunteers outnumber staff, nearly 2 to 1.

For more information on CHATS, and the volunteer opportunities that it offers, see [www.chats.on.ca](http://www.chats.on.ca) or call 1-877-452-4287.



From left, Laura Manley - Rural Outreach Co-ordinator, 5-year pin recipients Brian Turner, Bob Brown and Gail Smart, and CHATS CEO Christina Bisanz, at Volunteer event.

## Town Hall: Seniors Health Services

The York - Simcoe Federal Liberal Association will be presenting a Town Hall discussion on Seniors' Health Services at the Bradford Legion, 115 Back St. on Wednesday, April 23 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Loralea Carruthers, Provincial Liberal Candidate for York-Simcoe, will moderate the discussion, with panellists Dr. Jane Philpott, Federal Liberal candidate for Stouffville; Christina Bisanz, CEO of CHATS (Community & Home Assistance to Seniors); and the Hon. Mario Sergio, MPP and Minister for Seniors. Light refreshments will be served, and information about local seniors' Services will be available.

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Committee of Adjustment

• Wed, April 23 @ 6:30 p.m. – Zima Room, BWG Library & Cultural Centre,  
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### Municipal Heritage Committee

• Mon, April 28 @ 7:00 p.m. – Zima Room, BWG Library & Cultural Centre,  
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### Library Board

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TAKE NOTICE that the Administration Centre will be closed on **Friday, April 18, 2014 and Monday, April 21<sup>st</sup>** for Easter. The office will re-open on **Tuesday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2014** at 8:30 a.m.

On behalf of the Mayor, Members of Council and Staff, we wish you and your family a happy and safe holiday.

### Easter Weekend

Friday, April 18 – Monday, April 21, 2014

### BWG Leisure Centre Hours of Operation

Friday, April 18	<b>Building Closed</b>
Saturday, April 19	<b>Regular Operating Hours &amp; Schedules</b> 7:30 am – 5:00 pm
Sunday, April 20	<b>Regular Operating Hours &amp; Schedules</b> 7:30 am – 5:00 pm
Monday, April 21	<b>Regular Operating Hours &amp; Schedules</b> 6:00 am – 10:00 pm

### ROAD CLOSURE

#### Procession of Lady Fatima – Evening Vigil

TAKE NOTICE that the temporary "rolling" road closure for Saturday, May 10, 2014 from 8:00pm to 9:00pm will take place at the following locations:

Essa Street, from Holy Martyrs of Japan Church to Hurd Street  
Hurd Street, from Essa Street to Church Street  
Church Street, from Hurd Street to Holy Martyrs of Japan Church

### ROAD CLOSURE

#### For the Procession of Our Lady of Fatima

TAKE NOTICE that the temporary road closure for Sunday, May 11, 2014 from 1:00pm to 2:30pm will take place at the following locations:

Essa Street, from Holy Martyrs of Japan Church to Fox Run Lane,  
Fox Run Lane, from Essa Street to Northgate Drive,  
Northgate Drive, from Fox Run Lane to Fletcher Street,  
Fletcher Street, from Northgate Drive to Church Street  
Church Street, from Fletcher Street to Holy Martyrs of Japan Church.

Hey writers, poets and fans of sonnets and spoken word poetry:

If you're free **Thursday, April 24** come check out the

### Poetry Thing... HAPPENING!

@ the BWG Public Library

Bring a poem or two to share, or just come and enjoy!

MC : Sorin Vlaming

Sign-up starts:

7:00 pm

7:15 pm

7:30 pm

7:45 pm

8:00 pm

8:15 pm

8:30 pm

8:45 pm

9:00 pm

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40 minutes before the event

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### Summer Programmer

Under the supervision of the Children's Services Librarian, the Summer Programmer will be a key member of the Children's Services team who will assist in the design and delivery of summer programs for children and teens. The Summer Programmer will also promote, plan and implement the TD Summer Reading Club at the library. This is a 14 week contract, beginning May 20, 2014 and finishing on August 22, 2014. This position is 35 hours per week and includes evening and weekend shifts. The rate for this position is \$15 per hour.

Please visit us online at [www.bradford.library.on.ca](http://www.bradford.library.on.ca) for the full posting.

#### Requirements

- Must be at least 16 years of age
- Valid Ontario Motor Vehicle Operator's "G" License and the use of a motor vehicle
- A Vulnerable Sector Check

Interested candidates are invited to forward their resume and covering letter by Tuesday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2014 at 9:30 am to:

Zarena Cassar, Children's Services Librarian  
Bradford West Gwillimbury Public Library,  
425 Holland Street West, Bradford, Ontario L3Z 0J2  
Fax: (905) 775-1236  
[bwgmailbox@bradford.library.on.ca](mailto:bwgmailbox@bradford.library.on.ca)

*We thank all applicants for their interest; however, only those being considered for an interview will be contacted. In accordance with the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, personal information is collected under the authority of the Municipal Act, and will only be used for candidate selection.*

*The Bradford West Gwillimbury Public Library is an equal opportunity employer. Accommodation will be provided in accordance with the Ontario Human Rights Code.*

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE – OFFICIAL PLAN REVIEW

PURSUANT TO SECTION 17 (16) OF THE **PLANNING ACT**,  
R.S.O. 1990, c. P.13, AS AMENDED

#### What is an official plan?

The main purpose of the Bradford West Gwillimbury Official Plan is to provide a comprehensive framework for the guidance of future land use and physical development of the town. The Plan sets out growth and resource management objectives for a 20-year timeframe, and provides criteria and policy through which development applications and municipal initiatives are reviewed and evaluated.

#### What is an official plan review?

The Planning Act mandates that municipalities review and update their official plans every five years. The intent of this requirement is to ensure that plans remain consistent with the requirements of various provincial policies, as well as the Simcoe County Official Plan and the long-term strategic goals of the municipality.

Earlier this year, the town initiated Phase 1 of an official plan review which will focus specifically on updates for the Hwy. 400 Employment Lands, downtown revitalization and neighbourhood growth targets.

#### How do I find out more information?

The Town will be hosting a public open house during the council meeting scheduled for **Tuesday, May 6, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. in the Zima Room of the BWG Library & Cultural Centre, 425 Holland Street West, Bradford**. The purpose of the open house is to present council and the public with an overview of the process, the key areas of the plan that will be reviewed, and the forthcoming steps. Comments and questions from the public will be invited.

For additional information, please contact Geoff McKnight, Director of Planning & Development Services at (905) 775-5369 ext. 1401 or [gmcknight@townofbwg.com](mailto:gmcknight@townofbwg.com). Copies of the current official plan are available on the town's website at [www.townofbwg.com](http://www.townofbwg.com).

If you wish to be notified of the decision of Council in respect of the amended official plan, you must make a written request to the Municipal Clerk, Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury, 100 Dissette Street, Units 7 & 8, P.O. Box 100, Bradford, Ontario L3Z 2A7.

If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury before an amended official plan is passed, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision of the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury to the Ontario Municipal Board.

If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury before an amended official plan is passed, the person or public body may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the Ontario Municipal Board, in the opinion of the Board, there are reasonable grounds to do so.

Dated at the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury this 17th day of April, 2014.

*Geoff McKnight*  
Municipal Clerk

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## Notice of Transit Stop Construction

The purpose of this letter is to advise you of the construction of transit stops on your street in preparation for the launch of Bradford West Gwillimbury's new Transit System.

### Background

In October 2012 Council approved the implementation of transit to serve the needs of the community. Public meetings were held on June 21, 2012 and August 17, 2012 to review the routes and March 11, 2013 Council approved the routes. Subsequently, stop locations have been identified to access neighbourhoods, schools and commercial areas. The transit system will begin operating on May 1, 2014. The construction of the stops is currently underway.

### FAQ'S

#### What kind of buses will be used?

Transit service will be provided by two low floor (no step) community buses. The buses are similar to the size used by hotels and parking lots at airports (e.g. the Park N Fly shut-tle) and a sample is shown. They are 26 feet long, seat approximately 19 people, can accommodate two wheelchairs and are equipped with ramps for accessibility.



#### How were stop locations selected?

Careful consideration was given to the stop locations taking into account safety, proper spacing, distance to adjacent uses, physical space and visibility. Every effort has been made to minimize the impact of the stop location for residents and businesses. Generally, stop locations have been chosen on side lots or near intersections. The stop locations are shown on the back of this page.



#### What work is required to build the stops?

The stop involves the construction of a hard surface that will connect the curb to the sidewalk and a post and sign to identify the bus stop. The construction will involve digging up a small section of the boulevard, placement of gravel and paving with concrete. All of these stops will be located on the Town's property. On local residential roads, the pad will be approximately 2m X 3m and will have a concrete surface. On Holland street, where more use is expected, they will be 3m X 6.5 m.

#### Schedule and Fees

For detailed schedules, fees and more, visit  
[www.townofbwg.com/transit](http://www.townofbwg.com/transit)

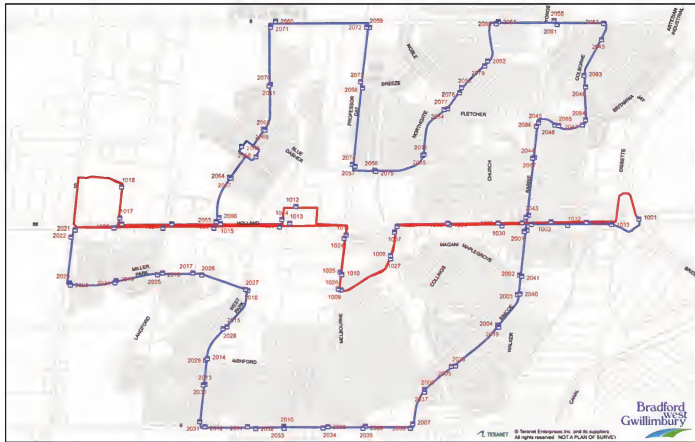
#### For more Information Contact: Engineering Services:

Hours: 8:30 am - 4:30 pm Phone 905-778-2055 or e-mail

Angelina Devellis - [adevellis@townofbwg.com](mailto:adevellis@townofbwg.com)

Anne MacLean - [amaclea@townofbwg.com](mailto:amaclea@townofbwg.com)

# TRANSIT ROUTE







## Khalsa!

Above, the Sikh community of Bradford West Gwillimbury is joined by members of Council, South Simcoe Police and the general community at the Khalsa Day flag-raising in Bradford on April 13. Below, presenting the painting of the Capture of the Red Fort to the Town of Gwillimbury, from left - Serge Singh, Gurpal Pannu, Ranjit Singh - the Town's first Sikh Auxiliary Police officer, Paul Randhawa, Harpreet Chahal, Mayor Doug White, Councillor Raj Sandhu, Police Chief Rick Beazley, Councillor Carl Hordyk.

Photos and story by Miriam King, Bradford Times

"Men and women of the Khalsa" - the Sikh community - gathered at the Bradford Courthouse on April 13, to celebrate Khalsa Day and raise the Khalsa flag.

They were joined by "friends from the community," including Bradford West Gwillimbury Mayor Doug White and members of Council, in celebrating the founding of the Order of the Khalsa by 10th guru, Guru Gobind Singh.

Mayor White read a proclamation, declaring Khalsa Day in the municipality, and presented the proclamation to Councillor Raj Sandhu. "Raj Sandhu is not a Sikh leader of our community, or a Punjabi leader of our community - he is a leader of the community," White said, thanking the community for "participating in our Town, in every way." He called multiculturalism "a source of strength, in our Town, our Province and our Country."

In return, the Sikh community

presented the Town with a painting of the Capture of the Red Fort in India, in 1783, when Sikh forces defeated the Moghul emperor - and raised the Khalsa flag for the first time.

Paul Randhawa, presenting the painting created at the Golden Temple in India, noted that Bradford West

Gwillimbury was the first municipality to raise the Khalsa flag at a municipal building - although this year, the flag will be raised in both Brampton and at Queen's Park.

"We're proud to be here, in this country," said Randhawa.



## At the Bradford Branch of the Legion

On April 27, the Bradford Legion will be holding its **Annual Spring Clean-up**, starting at 10 a.m. If you can help out, please come to the Legion at 115 Back St. in Bradford!

The **Annual Walter Duncan Golf Tournament** at Big Cedar Golf Course takes place on Saturday, May 10 - with a 9:30 a.m. shotgun start. Cost is only \$70, which includes 18 holes of golf, cart, steak dinner, prizes and draws. Please contact Frank Brooks at 905-775-5025 - and sign up by April 26.

Friday Night Social Time - every Friday at 6 p.m. at the Bradford Branch of the Royal Canadian Legion, 115 Back St. in Bradford. Come out and enjoy dinner prepared and served by the Culinary Arts Students at Bradford District High School, for a nominal fee, then stay for music and fellowship.

The Ladies Auxiliary presents an evening of entertainment on Saturday, May 24 at 8:30 p.m. - **Brett Baker, Live!** Enjoy a great Country evening for only \$10, which includes a late "lunch" and door prizes. All welcome!

**Euchre**, on the 1st and 3rd Saturday of each month. Register at 1 p.m., play starts at 1:30 p.m. All welcome.

A General Meeting is held on the 3rd Tuesday of every month, 7 p.m. at the Legion.

The Legion is here for Canada's Vets. There is support available for veterans and their spouses, whether at home, or in a nursing home or care facility. You don't have to be a Legion member to ask for assistance. Contact Veteran Services Officer Sean Griffin at 705-251-0208.

## An Informal BDHS Reunion

Bradford District High School Grads and Alumni from the mid-1950s to the mid-1960s are invited to attend the Informal BDHS 1950s-60s Grad Reunion on Saturday, April 26, from 1 p.m. until early evening, at China Gardens Restaurant, 382 Holland St. West, [ChinaGardenBradford.com](http://ChinaGardenBradford.com)

Free - except for what you choose to eat and drink at the Restaurant; just bring your good memories, photos and clippings of the era, to share.

For more information, contact James Cooke, 519-881-1188; Bob Neilly at 905-898-6872; or Bill Williamson, 416-705-9581.

## NOTICES

### Ladies & Co-Ed Beginner Golf Lessons

Ladies: Tuesdays, 6:00 - 7:00 pm, April 29 - May 20, Course Code 4148

Sundays, 2:00 - 3:00 pm, April 27 - May 25, Course Code 4149

Co-Ed: Sundays, 3:30 - 4:30 pm, April 27 - May 25, Course Code 4150

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### Town Wide Spring Flushing

Residents are advised that the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury Water Division will be starting their town wide annual program of flushing water hydrants. Water will be run on every hydrant to ensure a clean and fresh water supply for our municipal water customers.

This program will run from April 14 to May 30, 2014. The flushing will take place during the day from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm, Monday to Friday.

Please allow to undertake the work on an area-by-area basis, but as the work may affect adjacent areas, we ask all customers to be patient during this time.

Should you experience discoloured water, please flush your system in the laundry tub and bath room for up to 10 minutes. If the water doesn't clear, please call our office at 905-778-2055 between 8:30 am and 4:30 pm, Monday to Friday.

We thank all residents for their continuing assistance and cooperation.

100 Dissette St. Unit 7 & 8, Bradford,  
ON L3Z 2A7 Tel: 905-775-5366  
Extension 1100

Website: [www.townofbwg.com](http://www.townofbwg.com)

## Sears Drama Festival coming to BDHS!

Bradford District High School's entry into the 2014 Sears Drama Festival did not advance to the Regional level of competition - but the school is still very involved. BDHS is hosting the Regionals, April 22 to 25, welcoming winners from Upper Grand, Georgian Bay, Waterloo, Halton and Huron Perth Districts to its stage.

The performances will be adjudicated - choosing the winners for the Provincial Showcase, and presenting awards for outstanding achievement to individual actors, directors and casts.

The public is welcome to attend, and watch drama students perform in one-act plays, starting at 7 p.m. each evening of the Festival.

**Tuesday, April 22 - *Periphery***, performed by Centennial CVI; *Lip Service*, by St. Theresa's CHS; *I Don't Want to Talk About It*, by Jacob Hespeler Secondary School.

**Wednesday, April 23 - *Property Rites***, by John F. Ross SS; *The Bottled Message*, by Bear Creek Secondary School; *Picasso at the Lapin Agile*, by Burlington Central High School.

**Thursday, April 24 - *Jack or the Sublimation***, by Barrie Central; *Thaw*, by Central Huron Secondary School; *I Never Saw Another Butterfly*, by Forest Heights Collegiate; *I Have*, by Guelph Collegiate.

**Friday, April 25 - *Oedipus Rex***, by Goderich SS; *10 Ways to Survive the Zombie Apocalypse*, by Kitchener-Waterloo CVI; *Removing the Glove*, by Nelson High School.

Plays range from about 25 minutes, to 50 minutes in length.

## Terry Chisholm sings!

**The Man with the Voice:** Tribute artist Terry Chisholm returns to the Danube Seniors Leisure Centre, 715 Simcoe Road, on Saturday, May 10 - with a tribute to Elvis, Roy Orbison and the Legends of Rock 'n' Roll. Doors open at 7 p.m., concert begins at 8 p.m. Tickets are only \$15 each, available at the Centre, 905-775-0612, and include refreshments.

## Spring Bazaar

Lakeside Retirement hosts its annual **Spring Bazaar** on Saturday, April 26 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tables are still available; contact Chanelle or Nadiya at 705-431-8105.

# Os Marotos celebrates 2 years of tradition



Photos and story by Miriam King, Bradford Times

**Above, Os Marotos children's folklore dance troupe at the Portuguese Cultural Centre of Bradford, April 12, with birthday cake. Below, clockwise from upper left: Malandros da Gaita accordianists perform; dancers with Rancho Folclórico Estrelas do Norte; and the young dancers of Os Marotos, in performance at the Portuguese Cultural Centre of Bradford.**

The Portuguese Cultural Centre of Bradford hosted a special event on Saturday night, April 12. It was the second anniversary of Os Rancho Infantil do PCCB "Os Marotos" - The Rugrats children's folklore dance group - but it was also so much more.

It was a celebration of Portuguese culture and tradition, and the multiculturalism that brings together generations, in an expression of pride in heritage. Parents and grandparents watched their children and grandchildren perform traditional dances, the result of hours of time spent after school, dedicated to an appreciation of the depth and richness of Portuguese culture.

The evening began with a traditional dinner of Calde Verde, rice, potatoes, barbecued chicken and sardines, followed by the entertainment.

Malandros da Gaita opened the evening - two young performers, Marco, 10, and Paulo, 12, who have been playing accordian together for a year, and earning acclaim at performances in Oakville, Mississauga and Toronto.

They were followed by the Rancho Folclórico Estrelas do Norte, a Folklore dance troupe from Toronto that includes members of all ages, performing in their traditional costumes.

Then it was time for the Rugrats to take centre stage. In their first year, Os Marotos have performed at a number of events at the Portuguese Cultural Centre of Bradford, and in the annual BWG Santa Claus Parade, and have been invited to participate in Newmarket's Multicultural Festival. They were introduced by dance leader Luisa Coquilin as "32 young children who represent the Portuguese pride and traditions... My wish is that they never forget this experience."

The evening ended with birthday cake, and a salute to both Os Marotos, and a multicultural Canada.



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# Have a Hoppy Easter!

The Thornton Lions host their annual **Good Friday Pancake Breakfast**, from 7:30 to 11:30 a.m. in the Thornton Lions Hall, on Friday, April 18. Enjoy pancakes, sausages and beverages for only \$7 for adults, \$4 for children under 12. All proceeds go to local community projects, and Lions International causes. All welcome.

Bradford Greenhouses Garden Gallery on Yonge St., north of Bradford, will be hosting its annual **Good Friday Easter Egg Hunt** on Friday, April 18. Tots under 8 are welcome to bring a bag or basket, and hunt for chocolate eggs hidden by the Easter Bunny and his helpers, starting at 9 a.m. Meet the Easter Bunny, and enjoy the sights and scents of spring in the Greenhouses. Donations of non-perishable food for the local food bank will be welcomed.

The Elman W. Campbell Museum presents an **Eggciting Easter afternoon**, 1:30 to 3 p.m. on Saturday, April 19. Meet the Easter Bunny, enjoy Easter Displays and activities - including Egg Decorating, and light refreshments, for ages 4 to 10. Cost is \$5 per participant; please pre-register by calling 905-953-5314. The Museum is located at 134 Main St. South in Newmarket.

The Billy Hack Riding Stable in Mansfield, Ontario, which rescues unwanted and abused horses and ponies, is hosting their **3rd Annual Easter Treasure Hunt Fundraiser** on Saturday, April 19 and Sunday, April 20, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The event is raising money to send kids to summer camp through the Children's Aid Society, and will include Easter goodies.

Pony Rides, a treasure hunt, snack booth, and a chance to meet the Easter Bunny and friends. Cost is \$10 per child. Trail rides are extra. RSVP to 705-435-2821, or just drop in at 937365 Airport Road, at the Mansfield Outdoor Centre.



Cameron, 7 months old, meets the Easter Bunny at Upper Canada Mall in Newmarket. "Bunny & Me" photos continue to April 19; the Mall is closed Easter Sunday but open on Good Friday.

## In Search of Jesus

New Life Baptist Church, after a year of construction, is bringing back its special Easter presentation, "In Search of Jesus."

Families are invited to come and walk back in time, experiencing the first Easter, on Good Friday, April 18. Tours are free and will run every hour on the hour from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. - indoors, in the new church building at 6881 Yonge St. in Innisfil (between the 6th and 7th Lines of Innisfil). Parking is available on the church property. Experience the real meaning of Easter. For more information, see [insearchofjesus.info](http://insearchofjesus.info)

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# Muck Vegetable Growers Conference



Once a year, the parking lot at the Bradford & District Community Centre fill with farm equipment - like the R & W Equipment transplanters, seen above. It's all part of the annual Muck Vegetable Growers Conference, which combines science and updates on the latest research, with a trade and equipment show geared specifically to those who farm organic "muck" soils. This year's 63rd annual Conference took place April 9 and 10.

## Bird Watching at Scanlon Creek

The Friends of Scanlon Creek are hosting Birdwatching Workshops, on Saturday, April 28 and Saturday, May 24. Ken Vogan will provide an Introduction to Birdwatching at Scanlon Creek Conservation Area, including an intro to Smartphone Apps - and lead a walk in the woods. The Walk will take place from 7:30 to 8:45 a.m.; the Talk, featuring slide show, books, and smartphone apps, takes place from 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at the Nature Centre (entrance on 9th Line BWG). Do one or both: entrance fee is \$10 per vehicle, or free with a Scanlon Creek Annual Pass. RSVP to Wanda Black at [w.black@terra.on.ca](mailto:w.black@terra.on.ca) or call 905-895-1281 ext. 222.

## Watch for a new invader....

The Emerald Ash Borer is an invasive species that is decimating Ontario's ash trees, and changing the make-up of the forest canopy - but its economic impact is limited.

It will cost governments millions of dollars, to remove deadfalls and replant the urban landscape - but there's no economic sector that relies solely on ash trees.

Now imagine an invasive species that threatens crops in the way that Emerald Ash Borer threatens trees - an insect, also from Asia, that has few known enemies in North America, can hide in cargo, fly 2 to 30 km. in a day, and attacks crops.

The pest is the Brown Marmorated Stink Bug - a relatively big bug, as far as insects go, with adults measuring 12 to 19 mm in length. Shield-shaped, it is distinguished from other stink bugs by the white band on its long antennae, black and white banding around its shield, and bands on its legs as a "nymp" - It is believed to have been imported in shipments of goods from Asia.

"It's a great hitchhiker," says Hannah Fraser, Entomology Program Lead with the Ontario

Ministry of Agriculture and Food in Vineland, Ontario.

The Brown Marmorated Stink Bug is first identified in Pennsylvania in the early 1990s. In 1993, it was spotted

in Canada, feeding on ornamental plants in urban gardens.

By 2010, the horticultural sector had recorded "huge losses, to multiple crops" Fraser said - especially to apples, and tender fruits - and researchers identified 170 "hosts" for the insect, from forest plants to cucumbers, summer squash, beans and soybeans, apples, peaches and cherries.

The bug is believed to have resulted in a loss of \$37 million in 2010, to apple crops in mid-Atlantic U.S.A.

"It's starting to become an agricultural issue," Fraser said. "We are very worried about the distribution of the pests."

"The 'hot spot' is still the eastern U.S., but the bug has been established in the Hamilton area since 2010, where breeding populations were identified in 2012.

Fraser was providing a "heads-up" to growers and others at the Muck Vegetable Growers Conference, held in Bradford on April 10 - talking about both

the Brown Marmorated Stink Bug and the Leek Moth, another invader, this time from Europe.

The Leek Moth attacks onions, green onions, leeks and garlic - but there is a substantial amount of information on pest management available from Europe. The pest has been successfully controlled using crop rotation, clean-up of plant debris, monitoring, pesticides and biological controls - some of them native.

Unfortunately, there is no such control as yet for the Brown Marmorated Stink Bug. Of 37 insecticides tested in the U.S., the most effective were those that are broad-spectrum pesticides, harming the "good bugs" along with the bad.

Any strategy to control BMSB will need to involve not only pesticides, but repellents, trapping, physical barriers - and biological control. Native species of parasitic wasps are being studied, but "so far, the results are not terribly promising," Fraser says. The U.S. is looking to China for possible biological controls - but there are always concerns that an imported predator might attack other native stink bugs that are actually important predators of agricultural pests.

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# Best in South Simcoe Business



For a 17th year, Nottawasaga Futures has honoured Business Excellence by handing out awards to new and established businesses in South Simcoe.

The Business Excellence Awards were presented at the Innisfil Town Hall on April 10, to winners from the five South Simcoe municipalities - Adjala-Tosoronto, Bradford West Gwillimbury, Essa Township, Innisfil and New Tecumseth - in categories that included Customer Service, and Entrepreneur of the Year. The evening began with a brief tribute to the late Jim Flaherty, former federal Finance Minister, who passed away suddenly on April 10 from a heart attack. MPP for Simcoe-Grey, Jim Wilson said that Flaherty, who had his start in provincial politics, "was a great believer in job creation. He would not allow a policy to come forward unless it created jobs... and job creation is

also a function of business. "Those of you who are creating jobs and excelling in your business - thank you!"

A total of 261 nominations were received for this year's Awards, and narrowed down to 60 finalists by a panel of 16 judges. Winners were **Community Support & Leadership** - RBC Financial in Innisfil.

**Agriculture Award** - Dickey Bee Honey of Innisfil; and Sheldon Creek Dairy, Adjala-Tosoronto (tie).

**Customer Service** - Certificates were presented to all nominees. Winner was Angus Borden Music & Entertainment, Essa Twp.

**New Business of the Year Award** - Genesis Gymnastics of Bradford.

**Quality Award for Micro Business** (1-9 employees) - Sophie's Sweets Cafe & Cake Shop, New Tecumseth.

**Quality Award for Small Business** (10-24 employees) - Parsons ADL Inc.

of New Tecumseth.  
**Quality Award for Medium Business** (25-74 employees) - Trillium Ford Lincoln in Alliston, New Tecumseth.  
**Quality Award for Large Business** (75 or more employees) - Dorte (Industries, Bradford West Gwillimbury)  
**Green Transition Award** - Incorporating 'green' sustainable technologies, Circle Theatre in Alliston, New Tecumseth.  
**Youth Entrepreneur Award** - NorthAnomix marketing and promotions of New Tecumseth; Hon. Mention - Beach House Spa & Wellness, New Tecumseth.  
**Entrepreneur of the Year Award** - Alexander Doan School of Music, Innisfil.

**Business Excellence Award** - Angus Borden Guardian Pharmacy, Essa Twp. **Hon. Mention** - Bradford Family Dentistry, Bradford West Gwillimbury (seen below with Mayor Doug White and York-Simcoe MPP Julia Munro).

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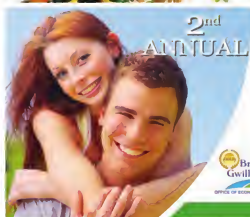
## Customer Service Certificate winners

Bradford West Gwillimbury Recipients of Customer Service Certificates at the South Simcoe Business Excellence Awards:

Ad-Dictive Design & Promotions, Bradford Home Hardware, Bronzeado Tanning Salon, Dominion Learning Centres, Dutch Treats, Healthy By Choice, Holland St. Veterinary Services, Jennings School of Karate, John's No Frills, Nancy's Nitty Noot, That Weed and Tire Shop, The Finest Wine Shoppe, The Mortgage Centre-Bradford, The Pink Closet, U At Home, VideoQuest, Water Depot.



April 12 was the 1st National Girl Guide Cookie Day, and Bradford Sparks, Brownies and Guides were out selling boxes of the chocolate and vanilla cookies for only \$5, at Sobeyes, TSC, Zehr's Market, Canadian Tire Store and John's No Frills (above) where the 5th Bradford Brownies and Brown Owl Mairiad Hannigan-Casey sold 7 cases of the sweet treats. The girls are raising money to attend a Girl Guides Rally Day at Canada's Wonderland, on May 31.



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# community listings

## THURS., APR. 17

**PROSTATE CANCER CANADA NETWORK NEWMARKET SUPPORT GROUP:** Meets at the Newmarket Sr. Meet-

ing Place, 474 Davis Drive, with a meet & greet at 6:30 p.m., and meeting from 7 to 9 p.m. with speakers Dr. Fennell and Dr. Cho. Radiation Oncologists at Southlake Regional Health Cen-

tre. For information call 905-895-9575 or see [www.newmarketprostatecancer.com](http://www.newmarketprostatecancer.com)

## FRI., APR. 18

**THORNTON LIONS GOOD FRIDAY PANCAKE BREAKFAST:** Pancakes, sausages and beverages, \$7 per adult, \$4 for children under 12 at the Thornton Lions Hall, 7:30 to 11:30 a.m. Proceeds support local community projects, and Lions International fundraisers.

**BRADFORD GREENHOUSES GARDEN GALLERY GOOD FRIDAY EASTER EGG HUNT:** At Bradford Greenhouses, just north of Bradford on Yonge St., 9 a.m. Annual Easter Egg Hunt for kids 8 and under. Donations for the Helping Hand Food Bank are welcomed. Meet the Easter Bunny!

**IN SEARCH OF SEARS:** Walk back in time, and experience the first Easter at New Life Baptist Church, 6881 Yonge St. in Infilis. This Easter adventure for the whole family will take place indoors, in the new New Life Baptist Church building. Tours are free and run every hour on the hour from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Parking is available on the church property. For information see [searchofsears.info](http://searchofsears.info)

**SAT., APR. 19**  
**CHARITY DINNER & DANCE FOR THE RIDE TO CONQUER CANCER:** At the Portuguese Cultural Centre, 767 Simcoe Rd. Dinner, live music by Touch of Blue, raffle. Tickets are \$25 each, to support the fundraising campaign of Bradford cyclist Anthony Strong. For tickets call 905-960-7851 or also, at The Finest Wine

tre. For information call 905-895-9575 or see [www.newmarketprostatecancer.com](http://www.newmarketprostatecancer.com)

## FRI., APR. 18

**ROSTARY GALA CELEBRATION BY THE LAKE:** The Rotary Club of Infilis hosts its Gala by the Lake at the Kempenfelt Centre in Infilis, incl. presentation of Unsung Heroes Awards, dining, dancing, prizes, Live and Silent Auction - including a special item up for bid: 2 tickets to hear astronaut Chris Hadfield at Georgian College, and a copy of his book. For tickets contact Anne Kell at [annekell@gmail.com](mailto:annekell@gmail.com) or Susan Gilchrist, [agilchrist@sympatico.ca](mailto:agilchrist@sympatico.ca)

## MON., APR. 21

**TECUMSETH & WEST GILLMILBUR HISTORICAL SOCIETY MEETS:** At the Tecumseh-Civil Women's Institute Hall in Newton/Boston, 10th Line BNG and County Rd. 27, at 7:30 p.m. An update on the Beeton Site, with Archaeologist Dr. Merit Latta. For info, call 905-775-7144 or 905-936-4086. All welcome.

## TUES., APR. 22

**BOND HEAD OLD TIME FIDDLE DANCE:** At the Bond Head Community Hall, on County Rd. 27, All welcome. Starts 7 p.m.

## FRI., APR. 25

**ROAST BEEF DINNER:** At Trinity Anglican Church, 62 Church St. in Bradford, from 5 to 6:30 p.m. Cost is \$16 per adult, \$7 for children 10 and under - Roast Beef, Mashed potatoes, gravy, turnips, carrots, peas and Home-made Pies. For tickets call Lorna Oldrieve at 905-775-8768 or Sheryl MacPhail, 905-775-3134.

## TUES., APR. 29

**WELLNESS RECOVERY ACTION PLAN GROUP:** The Central LHIN and The Krasman Centre bring a Wellness Recovery Action Plan Group (WRAP) to the Bradford Public Library, April 29-May 1, from 10:30

a.m. to 5 p.m. Participate free, to develop wellness tools to help cope with stress, manage crises and enjoy life more fully. Pre-registration required; see [www.krasmancentre.com](http://www.krasmancentre.com) for details; call 1-888-780-0724 or email [e.cavalho@krasmancentre.com](mailto:e.cavalho@krasmancentre.com) to register.



Rev. Matthew McMillan, rector of St. Peter's Anglican Church in Churchill, Infilis, hands out carrots so that young parishioners can feed Skittles the donkey, before participating in the Palm Sunday Procession, on April 13.

## Church Suppers and Events

Trinity Anglican Church, 62 Church St. in Bradford, is hosting a **Roast Beef Dinner** on Friday, April 25. Cost is \$16 per person, \$7 for children 10 & under, for Roast Beef, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Carrots, Peas, and Home-made pies, 5 to 6:30 p.m. For tickets, call Lorna Oldrieve, 905-775-8768 or Sheryl MacPhail, 905-775-3134.

Bradford United Church women and Red Cross Moving Solutions

see **CHURCH** Page 17

## Easter at St. John's

**Maudy Thursday service (April 17th)**  
7:00 p.m.

**Good Friday Pancake breakfast (April 18th)**  
9:00 a.m.

**Good Friday service (April 18th)**  
10:30 a.m.

**Easter Sunday service (April 20th)**  
11:00 a.m.

**St. John's Presbyterian Church**  
2940 10th Sideroad  
(opposite Bob Falls Arena)  
905-775-7274  
[www.stjohnspresbyterian.ca](http://www.stjohnspresbyterian.ca)

## PLACES OF WORSHIP

**Springdale Christian Reformed Church**  
1468 Sideroad #5, Bradford,  
905-775-3731  
Sundays 10:00 a.m., 6:00 p.m.  
Sunday School & Nursery  
Pastor Paul VanStrien  
[www.springdalecr.net](http://www.springdalecr.net)

**Newton Robinson United Church**  
Hwy 27 & Gore, 10 Tecumseh,  
Service 8:00 a.m.  
**Bond Head United Church**  
Hwy. 68 east of Hwy. 27  
Service 11 a.m.  
Sunday School & Nursery Available  
905-775-2512

**Trinity Anglican Church**  
62 Church St., Bradford  
(Corner of Church & James St.)  
Sunday Services 8am & 10:30am  
Sunday School, 10:30am  
905-775-2200  
[trinityanglicanbradford.com](http://trinityanglicanbradford.com)

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[ajohnspresbyterian.ca](mailto:ajohnspresbyterian.ca)

**Bradford Alliance Church**  
758 Simcoe Road, Bradford  
Sundays: Sunday Services  
Mid Week Home Groups  
Monthly Men's Breakfast  
905-775-0068  
[www.bradfordalliance.ca](http://www.bradfordalliance.ca)

**St. Michael's Ukrainian Orthodox Church**  
757 Simcoe Rd., Bradford  
Bilingual Services  
Liturgy Sunday & Feast  
Days 10:00 am  
Phone 905-715-0105

**Holland Marsh Christian Reformed Church**  
18925 Steeles St., Unit 42, Holland Marsh  
Sundays 10:00 am & 6:00 pm  
Sunday School & Nursery with service  
Midweek youth & adult programs  
Rev. Richard Bodin  
905-775-7291  
E: [hollandmarsh@rogers.com](mailto:hollandmarsh@rogers.com)

**Holy Trinity Lutheran Church**  
53 Miller Park Ave., Bradford  
905-775-9412  
Sunday Service:  
10:00 a.m.

**Holy Martyrs of Japan Catholic Church**  
167 Essex St. Bradford 905-775-2065  
Sundays 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 11:30 a.m., 6:30 p.m.  
Confessions  
1/2 hour before Sunday mass.

**Bradford United Church**  
66 Barrie St.  
905-775-7268  
Service - 10 am  
Sunday School & Nursery Available  
[www.bradfordunited.com](http://www.bradfordunited.com)

**St. Paul's Anglican Church**  
2400 St. Hill  
(NW corner of County Rd. 4 & 11th Line)  
Sunday Service at 10:00 am.  
Sunday School with service  
289-231-3253

**Bradford Community Church**  
Mid-week small group  
905-775-8038, based on the St. Peter's of the Hwy 411 & Gore rd.  
Sunday Worship: 10:30 a.m.  
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**Riverbide Bible Chapel**  
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#80246 Riverbide (North of Hwy 11)  
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1:00 pm - Bible Study  
7:30 pm Wed. - Prayer - Bible Study

**Bradford Baptist Church**  
3284-10th Sideroad  
(2 km north of Holland St. W)  
9 a.m. - Portuguese Service  
10:30 am - English Service  
10:50 am - Holy Communion (Tableside only)  
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[www.bbcwv.ca](http://www.bbcwv.ca)

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## HOLY WEEK and EASTER

**April 17 – Maundy Thursday – Holy Eucharist, Washing of Feet, Solemn Stripping of the Altar, 7:30 pm**

**April 18 – Good Friday – Stations of the Cross, outdoors, 10:00 am. Solemn Liturgy in the church, 10:30 am.**

**April 19 – Holy Saturday, Easter Vigil, 8:00 pm**

**April 20 – Easter, Choral Eucharist 9:00 am and 10:30 am**

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## Farewell to St. Paul's Anglican

With a dwindling number of parishioners, and a furnace broken down over the winter, St. Paul's Anglican Church (Coulson's Hill) has been struggling financially. The difficult decision has been made to "Disestablish" and close the church, May 4.

Easter Services will be celebrated at St. Paul's with Rev. Barb Hammond, offering Good Friday Prayers with Stations of the Cross at 10 a.m. on April 18, Easter Sunday Service at 10 a.m. on April 20, and a Baptism on April 27.

On May 4, the final service will be held on a theme of "Thanksgiving and Farewell." All are welcome to attend and participate in the service, which will be followed by light refreshments as the community says farewell to the church that was founded by pioneers.

Although the current building dates from 1916, the first frame church was built on the site in 1815. It was replaced by a brick and stone church with a 100' spire in 1889. That church burned to the ground in 1915, but the parishioners, many descended from the pioneers, rebuilt and St. Paul's Coulson's Hill was reconsecrated in 1921.

The cemetery, which remains active, was opened before the church. The first burial took place in 1831 - that of Mrs. Edward Sheldon. As noted in *Governor Simcoe Steps Here*, "The parish grew quickly, including among its families such names as Bowles, Wood, Fennell, Thorpe, Nesbitt, Sheldon, Magee, Hughes, Hamblin and Roberts."

Because of the cemetery, the church will not be sold but will remain in the possession of the Anglican Diocese, although the doors will be closed.



by Helen Yielding

Marnie Parkin is a "cranker", and a talented one to boot. Crankers are crafters who own and operate a circular knitting machine to produce beautiful and serviceable garments, like socks and mitts. Parkin demonstrated her machine and her talents to the Tecumseh and West Gwillimbury Historical Society at the March meeting. Knitting machines were popular in the early 1920s. Socks were necessities, and home-produced socks were a form of extra income for families. The machines themselves were portable, easily set-up, and a dedicated user could produce an adult sock in 20 hours.

It was possible to do ribbing and to turn a heel with adjustments to the needles that rose and fell as the yarn circled the perimeter of the casing when the crank was turned. Canadian-made machines, such as those of Creelman Brothers of Georgetown were available locally - but as manufactured goods became more available, home production declined.

There are still many crankers, in Canada and the U.S., who use old and newly-produced machines - with many beautiful patterns readily available online, and National Circle Sock Conventions. Parkin has travelled extensively to workshops and conventions all over North America to meet fellow crankers, and she displayed a

variety of intricately patterned socks made with several different kinds of yarn. She also showed a new product: Hand-cranked "texting" gloves, which proves that older technologies and skills can still be on the cutting edge 100 years later.

The next meeting of the Tecumseh & West Gwillimbury Historical Society will take place Monday, April 21 at the Tec-We-Gwill Women's Institute Hall in Newton Robinson - an exciting update on the "Boston Site" archaeological dig, with archaeologist Dr. Marti Latia, at 7:30 p.m. For more information, call 905-775-7144 or 905-936-4086.

And don't forget to sign up for the May 10 historical workshop on the Rebellion of 1837, 1837 Remembered, with the Ontario Historical Society. For details call 905-775-7144 or email [ohs@ontariohistoricalsociety.ca](mailto:ohs@ontariohistoricalsociety.ca)

## Joyous Easter Morning Celebrations Sunday April 20th, 2014

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**Joyous Easter Morning Celebration**  
Sunday April 20th, 2014

**Newton Robinson United Church 9:30 am**  
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**Bond Head United Church 11:00 am**  
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# Sports

## Getting ready to do the Marsh Mash!

The 36th Annual Marsh Mash Canoe and Kayak Races, sanctioned by OMCKA (Ontario Marathon Canoe and Kayak Racing Association) will be taking place on Saturday, May 10 at Springdale Christian Reformed Church, 5 Sideroad and Canal Road in Bradford West Gwillimbury.

Registration begins at 8 a.m., racing at 10 a.m. on the reconstructed Holland Marsh north canal. Classes include the 22K ICF K1

- a qualifier for the ICF Kayak Marathon World Championship, Marathon C2 Open and Marathon C2 Mixed, Open Kayak and Marathon C1 entries will travel a 16K course - and 9K races will be open to Outriggers, Recreational C2, Recreational Kayak, Stand-up Paddleboard, and Jr. marathon Open classes.

As well, there are 5K races for Adult/Child, Novice Stand-up Paddleboard, and Short Kayak Open. The Marsh Mash is a

partnership between organizer Iain Craig and family, and the BWG Leisure Services Department. Local businesses continue to support what is now the 4th-longest running Marathon Canoe Race in Ontario, providing prizes and donations.

For more information contact Joe Lotto, at [jlotto@townofbug.com](mailto:jlotto@townofbug.com) or 905-775-3359 ext. 5102, or Iain Craig, 905-893-1323.

Interested in racing? Check out [www.marshmash.ca](http://www.marshmash.ca) and attend the 9 a.m. Race Co-ordination meeting, May 10 at Springdale church.

## Walking the Spine of Bradford

The BWG Active Transportation Committee will be taking a hike - walking a portion of the "Spine" of Bradford, a series of trails that run north-south through valleys and pastures connecting Alder St. at the south end of town to the boardwalk at Tiger Tail Crescent. The complete distance is about 2.6 km,

although the Committee hopes to eventually extend the "Spine" north of the 8th Line.

The BWG Active Transportation Committee is inviting the community to join the "Walk the Spine" Trail Walk on Saturday, May 3. Meet in front of the BWG Leisure Centre at 10 a.m. for a warm-up, led by a Fitness Instructor - followed

by the hike, led by members of the Committee. The walk should take about an hour, an opportunity to learn more about the City's trail system, and about the Active Transportation Committee. Remember to dress for the weather.

For more information, contact Nick Wurman, Manager of Recreation and Client Services, at 905-775-7529 ext. 8501 or [nwurman@townofbug.com](mailto:nwurman@townofbug.com)

## First Aid, Babysitting Courses

SIMPLE First Aid is offering First Aid/CPR and Baby-sitting courses. First Aid/CPR courses will be offered: Sat./Sun., April 26 and 27 / Tues./Weds., April 29 and 30. For more information or to sign up, email [antahorlings@rogers.com](mailto:antahorlings@rogers.com) or see [www.simplefirstaid.ca](http://www.simplefirstaid.ca)

There will also be a Babysitting Course offered for kids on Easter Monday, April 21, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Bradford Alliance Church, 752 Simcoe Road in Bradford.

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## LL Peewees Consolation finalists



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Bradford West Gwillimbury Minor Hockey Association Pee wee Local League team #4, sponsored by 44th Street and RMG Consulting, played in the Simcoe Region Consolation Championships, vs. Schomberg #1.

Bradford Local League Pee wee team #4, sponsored by 44th Street/RMG Consulting, advanced to the Simcoe Region LL Consolation Championship, against Schomberg #1.

Game 1, March 16, Schomberg #1 - 3, Bradford #4 - 2, as these two closely matched teams met. Bradford scoring by Malcolm Gill and Brett Lassen. Game 2, March 20, Bradford #4 - 1, Schomberg #1 - 0. Winning goal by Brett Lassen, from Melissa Brinkos.

Steven Amador was solid in net, with the shutout.

Game 3, March 22, Schomberg #1 - 5, Bradford #4 - 1. Lone goal by Erik Mak from Blake Fellman and Kaela McCutcheon.

Game 4, March 24, Schomberg #1 - 3, Bradford #4 - 2, in a heart-breaker. Goals by Blake Fellman and Brayden Heatley, from Matt Quitz (2), Erik Mak and Fellman.

The coaches are proud of the team and their effort this year.

## Kids swim for free on Lions Service Day

"The motto of Lions Clubs is "We Serve" - and on Saturday, April 26, the Lions Clubs of District A-12, which stretches from Schomberg to Huntsville and Perry Sound, will be celebrating a Lions Day of Service.

The Bradford & District Lions Club plans to participate by hosting a Lions Day of Service "Free Youth Swim".

The Bradford Lions Aquatics Centre at the BWG Leisure Centre will be open for an afternoon of free swimming for elementary school children, from 1:15 to 3 p.m. - funded by the local Lions.

"Genuine service to people in our communities is the foundation of what Lions Clubs do," says President Deb Hrynyk. "The Bradford Lions, along with Lions Clubs from across Ontario, are proud to be part of this event."

The Bradford Club celebrates 77 years of community service in 2014, and meets on the 1st and 3rd Monday of each month, 6:30 p.m. at the Lions Activity Centre, 226 Colborne St. For more information, or to get involved, call 905-775-9170 or see [facebook.com/BradfordLions](http://facebook.com/BradfordLions)

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**The Nature's Emporium**  
Run or Walk for Southlake Regional Health Centre takes place Sunday, April 27 at the Aurora Community Centre, 1 Community Centre Lane. This is a true community Run, supporting the Regional hospital, that offers something for every participant - from the Kids' Mini Mile, to the 2.5K and 5K Runs/Walks, to the 10K Run.

Registration begins at 7:30 a.m. on April 27, opening ceremonies at 8:30 a.m. The 10K Run begins at 9 a.m., 2.5/5K Run/Walk at 9:15 a.m. and the Kids' Mini Mile at 10:15 a.m. Families and teams are welcomed - and once again, the Mayor's Challenge Cup will be presented to the municipal leader who signs up

the most participants, and raises the most money. To register see [runforsouthlake.ca](http://runforsouthlake.ca)

On Sunday, May 4, **Walk for MS** and a cure for Multiple Sclerosis. The Mandarin Walk for MS will start at the Newmarket Community Centre & Lions Hall, 220 Doug Duncan Drive in Newmarket. Check in begins at 8:30 a.m., the 5 or 10 Walk begins at 9:30 a.m. - followed by lunch at 10:30 a.m., and Closing Ceremonies and Awards at 11:30 a.m. For information, contact Jennifer Pearce at [jennifer.pearce@msociety.ca](mailto:jennifer.pearce@msociety.ca) or call 1-888-822-8467, ext. 3123. This is also a Walk in Barrie. To register or donate online see [msociety.ca](http://msociety.ca)

On the Mother's Day weekend, why not do something for Mothers in the developing world? **Steps to Deliver Change** is a National Fundraising Walk for Save the Mothers that raises funds to improve maternal health in poorer nations, where childbirth is one of the leading causes of death among adolescent girls and women. **Steps to Deliver Change** walks will be held in 10 communities, coast to coast - including Bradford, where Dr. Daniel Scott, Managing Director of Save the Mothers and Reverend at St. John's Presbyterian Church, is organizing the event.

Proceeds from each 5K Walk will go to Save the Mothers, a Canadian charity based in Uganda, which trains and

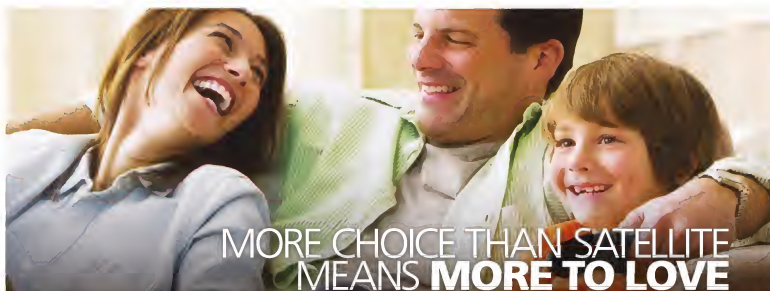
encourages East African leaders to improve the standards and practices of health care for pregnant women in their communities.

For more information, visit [savethemothers.org](http://savethemothers.org), and sign up for the Walk at [www.walkformothersday.com](http://www.walkformothersday.com) The BWC Walk takes place Saturday, May 10. Watch for details. Not going to be in Town? Join the NWAL team, and "Take Steps to Deliver Change" wherever you happen to be. Register online.

The **Upper Canada Mall Easter Seals 10 Run and 5K Run** will take place Sunday, May 25, at Newmarket Riverwalk Commons. Nearly 1,000 enthusiastic supporters are expected to

participate in a family-oriented run/walk on a flat, scenic course - raising funds for the Easter Seal Society and kids with disabilities. Easter Seals Ontario currently serves over 20,000 children and youth with a physical disability, helping them to achieve independence and acceptance, by helping to fund needed equipment and assistive devices, providing special transportation, and providing summer camping or recreational experience for kids.

The Easter Seals Walk founded by Joe Persechini will be celebrating his 30th Anniversary this year. Wanted: Sponsors, prize donors, teams and participants. See [EasterSealsRun.com](http://EasterSealsRun.com)



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## Friends of We Care Charity Golf

On June 5, Brent Morning and friends will be launching the inaugural Friends of We Care Charity Golf Challenge, at Cardinal GC's Kettle Creek Executive Course. It's a day of inexpensive fun and fundraising to benefit Friends of We Care, an organization that, for over 31 years, has been raising money to send

kids with disabilities to camp. Cost to play is only \$78.50 per person, which includes golf balls and a buffet lunch on the patio. Golfers are wanted, as well as \$100 hole sponsors. For an invitation and online registration link, please email [charitygolfchallenge@gmail.com](mailto:charitygolfchallenge@gmail.com). Register by April 25 to qualify for an

Early Bird Draw, for a gift certificate from the Arbour Pub & Grill. For more information on Friends of We Care, see [www.friendsofweare.org](http://www.friendsofweare.org). For more information to the Friends of We Care Charity Golf Challenge, or to donate a prize or auction item, contact Brent Morning at 905-841-5735.

## Zumba for Autism

Cathy McLean of Zumba in da House, and Nicole Kim-mom of a child with Autism - are organizing Bradford's 1st annual Zumba for Autism event, Saturday, April 26 from 1 to 4 p.m. at Bradford Alliance Church. Enjoy a lively and fun-filled afternoon of prizes, raffles, Silent Auction, refreshments and Zumba, with 100% of proceeds going to Kerry's Place Autism Services. Tickets \$15 in advance, for 12 and older, or \$20 at the door, 752 Simcoe Road. Contact Cathy 647-219-0321 or Nicole at 905-252-6942.

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### Obituaries

**MARTIN, Judy** - Peacefully passed away with her loving family at her side at Southlake Regional Health Centre, Newmarket on Tuesday, April 8, 2014. Judy Martin (nee Mang) of Bradford and formerly of Brampton in her 51st year. Beloved wife and soulmate of Glenn Martin for 36 years. Devoted and loving mom of Lindsay and Brian. Dear daughter of the late Wile and the late Barb Mang. Dear sister of Rick (Sue) and Wes. Dear daughter-in-law of Ron Martin and Dorothy Martin. Dear sister-in-law of Brian (Karyene), Andrea (Erm) and Colin (Tanya). Judy will also be fondly remembered by her nieces, nephews, extended family, the Saut family and many friends. Friends called at SKWARCHUK FUNERAL HOME, Bradford for visitation. Funeral service was held at the Trinity Anglican Church, Bradford on Saturday, April 12, 2014 at 11 a.m. followed by cremation. In Judy's memory, donations may be made to: St. Michael's Hospital Cancer Centre at Southlake Regional Health Centre Foundation.

**MIEDEMA, Charles John** - Peacefully passed away after a brief illness at Mackenzie Health, Richmond Hill on Thursday, April 10, 2014 in his 71st year. Loving brother of Wm. (Barry) Jacques, Simon (Thoma), Joanne (Gary) Colangelo, Dave (Barb) and predeceased by Terri Mozes, Father of Jennifer Miedema (Matt) Grandfather of Sadie and Rex. Charlie will be fondly remembered by his nieces and nephews. Private family arrangements. In Charles' memory, donations may be made to the Canadian Cancer Society.

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**OOSTVEEN, Henrica (Henry) Maria** - Peacefully passed away at her home, on Friday, April 11, 2014. Henry Oostveen (nee Vermnick) of Newmarket and formerly of Bradford in her 77th year. Beloved wife of the late Bill Oostveen. Loving mother of Chris, John (Tracey), Henrietta, Annette (John) Wheless and Michael Oostveen. Dear godmother of Corinne McLean, Tammy and Paul Lemieux (Nicole and Christopher). Henry will be lovingly remembered by her grandchildren and great grandchildren. Dear sister of Mary (late Mike) Tich, Toni (Cori) Vanderzant, Cathy Clark and John Vermnick. Henry will also be sadly missed by many nieces and nephews. Friends called at the **SKWARCHUK FUNERAL HOME**, Bradford for visitation. Funeral Service was held in the Chapel on Tuesday, April 15, 2014 at 11 a.m. followed by cremation.

**SKITTERAL, Audrey** - Passed away unexpectedly but peacefully at St. Michael's Hospital, Toronto on Tuesday, April 8, 2014. Audrey Skitteral (nee Clifford) of Bradford in her 83rd year. Beloved wife of the late John Skitteral. Lovingly remembered by her children and grandchildren. Dear sister of Lorraine (Willy) Kemp and predeceased by Butch and Bill Clifford. Friends called at **SKWARCHUK FUNERAL HOME**, Bradford for visitation. Funeral service was held in the Chapel on Friday, April 11, 2014 at 11 a.m. followed by cremation. In Audrey's memory, donations may be made to the Cardiac Unit at Southlake Regional Health Centre Foundation.

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# Students build on success

A team of students from Bradford District High School's Pre-Apprenticeship Carpentry & Construction Program will be competing in Skills Canada competition at the Provincial level, May 5 and 6 in Waterloo.

The team, of Jeff Pines, Ben Harrison, Matt Hudgin and Brandon Cox earned the right to compete provincially after winning the local "Four Man Home & Team Building Competition", held at the Simcoe County District School Board's Education Centre in Midhurst, April 1-2.

The BDIHS team, and a team from Barrie North Collegiate, were given a set of plans for a large shed, and two days to complete the work. "The biggest challenge was probably the roof structure - figuring out the angles," says Cox.

The judges awarded 1st place to the Bradford team, which compete against teams from 35 other Ontario schools, in the Provincials.

The BDIHS Pre-Apprenticeship Carpentry and Construction Program is offered in partnership with OYAP (Ontario Youth Apprenticeship Program) and the Specialist High Skills Major program. Construction Technician and Co-op Leader Jon Sweeney provides pre-apprenticeship instruction in health and safety at the

college level. In the first half of the course, before his students get a co-op placement in the construction industry, during May and June.

"The kids like it," Sweeney says, especially the hands-on experience, which includes field trips to trade shows, and to Georgian College - although he admits, "it's not for everybody." Some don't like the amount of paperwork needed for training and certification, in the first half of the course. But for Cox, it's the start of a potential career. The Grade 11 student hopes to become a general carpenter, completing a 4-year, 6500 hour apprenticeship program with a family member.

The Pre-Apprenticeship program offers students 2 Construction credits, and 1 or 2 Co-op credits, and may count towards apprenticeship hours.

Sweeney maintains connections to the local construction industry and businesses, to ensure that his students get the 40 hours per week on-site experience they need and want - and those connections may have helped the BDIHS team to the Provincials.

Raynack Construction contributed materials that let the students build a prototype shed, prior to competition - Bradford Rental Sales & Service provided hard hats and tool belts, and Bradford TIM-BR Mart also provided support and sponsorship.

Teacher Jon Sweeney, left, and Brandon Cox, with student-built shed at BDIHS.



## Fun @ Bradford Public Library

Calling all writers, poets and spoken word artists... There is "A Poetry Thing... Happening at the Library" on Thursday, April 24. Bring a poem or two to share - time limit 3 to 10 minutes.

Sign-up begins at 7 p.m., Open Mic from 7:15 to 9 p.m. with MC Scott Vining. Munchies available.

**Spring Storytime Session** begins April 16-18 - six weeks of free half-hour story/song sessions, including **Babytime for Creepers** (4-12 months); **Babytime for Walkers** (12-24 mos.); **Tales for Tots**, for ages 2 to 3 years; and **Storytime**, for ages 3-6. Children under 4 must be accompanied by a parent/guardian. Free, but pre-register, in person or call 505-775-3328, ext. 6114 or 6119.

**Creative Activities for Creative**

**minds**, crafts for kids ages 2 to 6, accompanied by an adult. 5 week session starts Mon., Apr. 28 from 1-1:45 p.m., and Tues., Apr. 29, 10-10:45 a.m. \$5 per class. Pre-register.

**ArtReach** - a drop-in art program for ages 11 to 15. Drawing, painting, mixed media collage, abstract expressionism. Thursdays 4-6 p.m., starting May 1. Pre-register at Borrowers Services. Cost is \$10 per week, which includes materials, and instruction from artist Ingrid Schenke. For details see: [www.bradford.library.on.ca](http://www.bradford.library.on.ca) or call 505-775-3328 ext. 6108.

**"Look What I Made Mom!" Drawing Classes** with Darlene Braybrook, for ages 8 to 11. Four-week course starts Tues., May 6, 4-6 p.m. Learn to draw a profile, full face, bodies in motion, 3-D shading. Fee is \$50, includes materials. Call 505-775-3328, ext. 6100 to register. Photo: Where the Wild Things Are party.

## "Open Bus" introduces Transit

Bradford West Gwillimbury Council has approved a number of agreements that must be in place before the new Public Transit system launches on May 1. Working out the details was complicated and time-consuming, a report noted, requiring the use of outside transit consultants.

In its April 15 meeting, Council authorized signing an agreement with Switzer-Carty Transportation to operate and maintain the buses, and provide drivers, at a cost of \$180,315 per year (plus fuel and major repairs) - and an agreement to lease the Town-owned buses to the company, at no cost.

Council also authorized a Service agreement with Town Taxi to provide the Taxi-to-GO service for commuters and a Shared-Ride and Shared-Bond Head; an Agreement with Bradford Shopping Centres Inc. for use of its property and a bus stop at Walmart; a Software Licence, Hosting and Service Agreement with Transfare & Systems Ltd. for the farebox and SmartCard technology installed on the buses; and a future fare integration agreement with Metrolink that could reimburse the Town for subsidizing the cost of the Taxi-to-GO service for holders of PRESTO cards.

The annual cost of Taxi-to-GO service is estimated at \$56,250 per year at peak usage; with an additional cost to the Town for the shared taxi to Bond Head set at \$100,000. Residents of Bond Head were surveyed to determine support for the shared taxi concept; the Town received about 20 responses, and the comments were mixed. "There was not consensus by any means," said Director of Legal Services Rebecca Campbell. Based on the survey, the shared taxi to Bond Head will be offered only 1 day a week, starting in June.

The Town has committed support for Public Transit in the amount of \$365,000 per year, and will sign an agreement with the Province, to dedicate a share of gas tax revenues - estimated at \$285,000 annually - to transit.

"May 1st is going to be here before we know it. It's been a long time coming," said Mayor Doug White. We not only bought the buses, we're partnering with local businesses - in the most economical way possible. I think it'll give our residents flexibility. It'll save our residents money."

The community buses purchased by the Town are fully accessible, and will run from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Fares will be free during May, \$5 for riders ages 5 and up - although anyone who purchases a reloadable PRESTO card will pay only \$2 per trip, and ride free until the end of July. For more information, and an opportunity to see the BWG Transit System's community buses, attend an "Open Bus" - an Open House on vehicles available April 26 at the BWG Leisure Centre from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. and at the Bradford Board of Trade's Town & County Living Show, Bradford Community Centre, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

## Good news for Taxpayers

Town Council had approved a 2014 tax increase of 1.95%, to meet increases in expenditures. However, thanks to growth in the municipality and an increased assessment, the final tax increase works out to only 0.37% or 14.73 for the "average" home assessed at \$351,200.

"This is really good news," said Deputy Mayor Rob Keffler, as Council approved the final Tax Levy By-law. Councillor Gary Lamb went further. "It's the best news we've had in two years. Why aren't we having a party?"

## Bond Head Hort. Soc. anniversary

Bond Head & District Horticultural Society holds its 80th Anniversary meeting, on Thursday, April 24 at the Danube Seniors Leisure Centre, 715 Simcoe Rd. in Bradford, at 7:30 p.m.

Guest speaker will be Randy Tumber, award-winning landscaper, on Naturalistic Design. All welcome. Refreshments will be served.

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